

29.0 NICB LICENSE PLATE READER TRANSACTION

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29.1 DESCRIPTION

The National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB) in cooperation with the United States Custom and Border Protection and Nlets, has added the capability to query the License Plate Reader (LPR) database by vehicle license number.

See Appendix A, Section 29.0 for XML formats and examples.
See Appendix B, Section 29.0 for Native formats and examples.

29.1.1 NICB LPR BACKGROUND

License Plate Readers (LPR's) were initially installed by the United States Custom and Border Protection (CBP) to develop and track movement of vehicles as they crossed through the ports of entry along the southwest border between the United States and Mexico and the northern border between the United States and Canada.

One of the benefits of the LPR is their effectiveness relating to vehicle theft initiatives regarding stolen vehicles entering and exiting the United States. Because of their benefits of providing investigative information regarding stolen vehicles, CBP agreed to provide NICB the raw LPR data as a tool in its efforts to prevent and investigate vehicle theft and insurance fraud.

29.2 INQUIRY MESSAGE KEY

RQ Vehicle Registration Query by state code

29.3 INQUIRY DESTINATION LIMITATIONS

RQ Two character destination code must be "NA"

29.4 DATA ELEMENTS

29.4.1 RQ DATA ELEMENTS

| Field | MFC |
|--|------|
| Message key | None |
| ORI of requesting agency | None |
| Destination code | None |
| Fixed field prefix denoting beginning of message | TXT |
| License number | LIC/ |
| License type | LIT/ |
| License Year | LIY/ |

29.4.2 RQ INQUIRY FORMATS

RQ•ORI•__•NA•TXT LIC/____•LIY/____•LIT/____



Mandatory fields



Conditional fields: Mandatory for Missouri; Optional all other states

NOTE: The RQ does allow for a 10 character license plate, but the LPR records only captures 8 characters. Therefore, if a 9 or 10 RQ is received, a search will be conducted only on the first 8 characters.

29.4.3 INQUIRY BY LIC - EXAMPLE

RQ.NL0000000.NA.TXT LIC/SAC500.LIT/PC.LIY/09

29.5 INQUIRY RESPONSES

Responses to RQ Inquiries can include:

- Any or all of the following data elements:

| | |
|-----|-------------------------------|
| LIC | License |
| LIT | License type |
| LIY | License year |
| VIN | Vehicle Identification Number |
| VMA | Vehicle make |
| VMO | Vehicle model |
| VST | Vehicle style |
| VCO | Vehicle Color |
- NOT ON FILE
- FILE NOT AVAILABLE
- TEMPORARILY UNAVAILABLE
- DOES NOT SUPPORT NAME ONLY INQUIRIES

28.5.1 INQUIRY RESPONSE - EXAMPLE

NICB RESPONSE FOR LIC/FT20688 MSG 001 OF 001
CROSSING LOCATION: INBOUND
ADDRESS: USCS-107 INTERSTATE SOUTH
CITY: DERBY LINE:INTERSTATE STATE: VT ZIP: 05830
CROSSING DT/TIME: 09/30/2002 14.31.29
LIC PLATE: FT20688 STATE: PQ COUNTRY: C

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TAKE ANY ENFORCEMENT ACTION.

29.6 NLETS AUTOMATED HELP FILE

Nlets does not provide an automated help file for NICB transactions. Questions regarding NICB queries should be directed to the NICB Headquarters office at 847-544-7000 or to the Nlets Control Center at 800-528-4020.

29.7 MESSAGE FIELD CODE (MFC) DIRECTORY

Each message transaction is comprised of multiple data elements; this section provides the necessary information on data elements for this transaction. Each data element is identified by a specific field name. Each field name is abbreviated with a unique three-character code called a message field code (MFC). The MFC's are sorted alphabetically, then followed by a plain-word description of each. The number immediately following the description indicates the maximum number of characters allowed for that data element. Below the description line is text describing specific requirements for this field.

29.7.1 LIC LICENSE PLATE NUMBER - 10

CONDITIONAL

Alphanumeric; License plate number of vehicle that is the subject of the query;

- Mandatory for all RQ transactions by license plate number
- Not permitted in inquiries by VIN
- Not permitted in RNQ transaction

29.7.2 LIT LICENSE PLATE TYPE - 2

CONDITIONAL

Alpha only; License type of license plate that is the subject of the query;

- Mandatory for RQ queries by LIC
- Prohibited all other transactions
- Must be a code from the Vehicle Data Codes chapter of the NCIC 2000 Code Manual.

29.7.3 LIY LICENSE PLATE YEAR - 4

CONDITIONAL

Numeric only; Four-character year of expiration of license plate.

- Mandatory for RQ queries by LIC
- Prohibited all other transactions

29.7.4 **NAM** NAME - **30**

CONDITIONAL

Alpha only; must include last and first name in the following format: Last, First Middle. Some states allow a question mark (?) in lieu of the last name if unknown; refer to the state help file for details.

- Mandatory in all transactions

29.7.5 **VIN** VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER - **20**

CONDITIONAL

- Mandatory for all RQ transactions by vehicle identification number
- Prohibited all other transactions